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Subject: Siale Angilau Investigation  
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Forwarded to your attention are the results of the investigation related to the officer involved shooting which occurred at the United States Courthouse for the District of Utah on April 21, 2014. The results of the investigation, which are summarized below, are contained on digital recordable media which has been sent to your attention via Fed-ex ( A tracking number will be provided in a separate email. Insert the Sandisk thumb drive. Click on the

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Below is a summary of the investigation:

On April 21, 2014, Siale Angilau was on trial for his role in numerous violent crimes in furtherance of the Tongan Crip Gangsters' (TCG) criminal enterprise (see Indictment of Siale Angilau). The Tongan Crip Gangsters had been identified through investigation as a violent street gang active in the Salt Lake City area and were the subject of a long term racketeering investigation. Angilau was the last remaining defendant to go to trial. Angilau was specifically involved in numerous violent crimes to include armed robberies, where on one occasion, Angilau shot and almost killed a convenient store clerk; and assault on a federal officer, wherein Angilau was involved in shooting at United States Marshals in 2007, all in furtherance of the TCG enterprise .

On the morning of April 21, 2014, the prosecution called [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] as a witness to testify against Angilau.

During

[REDACTED] testimony, Angilau, who was not restrained in any manner, got up from the defendant's table (see time stamp of 37:12 of the audio recording, and time stamp 09:23:35 of the video recording); grabbed what was later identified

as a mechanical pencil, a pen, and a yellow highlighter; and rapidly charged the witness stand in a threatening manner with the items he grabbed from the table. Angilau vaulted over the witness stand and attempted to stab

[REDACTED] with the pen and pencil (the highlighter dropped from Angilau's hand as he vaulted over the stand and stabbed [REDACTED]. In the process of jumping over the witness stand, Deputy United States Marshal [REDACTED] drew his duty weapon and fired 4 times. (It should be noted that from the moment Angilau stood up from the defendant's table, until the moment that the fourth shot was fired, approximately 5 seconds passed. During that time, Angilau was able to grab an improvised weapon, charge the witness stand, and attempt to stab the witness.) All four rounds hit Angilau. Angilau was subsequently transported to the hospital where he later died of his wounds (see autopsy report).

In response to the shooting at the courthouse, law enforcement responded to the courthouse, conducted interviews of those present in the courtroom, and processed the crime scene. All documented interviews are contained within the digital recordable media forwarded to your attention. Some of these interviews were audio recorded. The recordings are also provided.

Angilau was incarcerated at the time of his trial at the Utah State Prison as he was serving a 1 to 15 year sentence on related state charges. As a result of being an incarcerated defendant, U.S. Marshal's policy dictated that Angilau be restrained at court. However, in the days prior to Angilau's trial, the Honorable Tena Campbell (the presiding judge) ordered that Angilau NOT be restrained with leg shackles or handcuffs so as to not prejudice the jury.

In the days prior to trial, court personnel informed Judge Campbell that members of the jury would be able to see that Angilau was shackled from the jury box. Judge Campbell indicated that in the past when this was a problem, drapes had been used to cover the tables in the courtroom in order to obstruct

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the jury's view. However, due to the fact that this was the first trial to be held in the newly constructed federal courthouse (opened April 2014), no drapes were available to cover the tables in the courtroom, and the tables could not be moved. As a result, Judge Campbell ordered that Angilau was not to be restrained in front of the jury.

On the morning of April 21, 2014, court personnel who interacted with Angilau noted that Angilau was in a bad mood. Angilau was apparently upset because the United States Marshals had housed Angilau at the Weber County Jail. Angilau, who was in US Marshal's custody while on trial, had been moved to the Weber County Jail as opposed to where Angilau was serving his state sentence at the Utah State Prison. Angilau complained that he had not had access to his legal materials while at the Weber County Jail, and that he had not had an opportunity to shower. Deputy Marshals reported during interviews that Angilau was posturing in his cell with others in the Marshal's cell block located within the court house on the morning of April 21, 2014.

Moreover,

[redacted] was scheduled to testify against Angilau on the morning of April 21, 2014, [redacted]

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personnel, to include the deputy marshals in the courtroom, the presiding judge, and prosecutors, were also aware of Angilau's violent past, the violent nature of the gang Angilau represented, as well as the violent crimes with which Angilau was charged.

Deputy [redacted] who had interacted with Angilau in the Marshal's cell block on the morning of April 21, 2014, and who was present in the courtroom at the time of the attack, believed that there was a high likelihood that Angilau would cause an incident in the court room which would require Marshals to go "hands on" with Angilau. As a result, [redacted] chose not to bring his firearm into the court room; rather [redacted] armed himself with a taser as he did not want to go "hands on" with Angilau with a firearm [redacted] present.

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Prior to the trial starting on the morning of April 21, 2014, Judge Campbell was made aware of Angilau's bad mood. Judge Campbell asked Angilau if he was going to behave during the proceedings and was satisfied with Angilau's response that Angilau would behave. Judge Angilau remained unrestrained during the court proceedings.

Present in the courtroom from the US Marshal's Service during the trial on

April 21, 2014 were Deputies [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Deputies [REDACTED] were assigned to defendant Angilau [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] All deputies were familiar with the violent nature of the crimes charged, and were aware of TCG and the gang's violent reputation. Additionally, it was known by the Marshal's Service that Angilau

was not to be near [REDACTED] Deputies [REDACTED] positioned themselves by the defendant table while Deputy [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] and Deputy [REDACTED] positioned himself between [REDACTED] and the jury. [REDACTED]

When Angilau first stood up and initiated his attack, Deputy [REDACTED] believed that Angilau was initially making a run for the courtroom exit and went to cover the exit of the courtroom. As Angilau charged the witness stand, Deputy [REDACTED] saw Angilau quickly rushing toward [REDACTED] in a threatening manner with a sharp pointed shiny object in his hand and holding it in a manner consistent with preparing to stab someone. Deputy [REDACTED] drew his weapon and fired at Angilau as Angilau was jumping over the witness stand in an attempt to stab [REDACTED]. After shooting Angilau, Angilau was ordered by deputies to drop the pen in his hand. When it became apparent that Angilau was unable to drop the pen, Deputy [REDACTED] removed the pen from Angilau's hand. Deputy [REDACTED] then attempted to handcuff Angilau; however, Angilau was bleeding profusely, and the blood

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was getting all over Deputy [REDACTED]. As a result, Deputy [REDACTED] stopped handcuffing Angilau as [REDACTED] did not have any protective clothing on (i.e. protective gloves).

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Paramedics arrived shortly thereafter and transported Angilau to the hospital where he later died from the 4 gunshot wounds.

During Judge Campbell's interview (documented in SLCPD #2014-64196 (2).pdf) , Judge Campbell indicated that not having Angilau shackled during his trial was an error in her judgment. Furthermore, Judge Campbell indicated that she was surprised at how quickly a man as large as Angilau could move, and how high he could jump. Judge Campbell believed that there was no way that Angilau could have been stopped by any other means than those that were employed by Deputy [REDACTED] and was thankful that Deputy [REDACTED] was present in the courtroom and able to stop Angilau from his attack. As a result of this attack in the courtroom and the speed at which it occurred, Judge Campbell indicated that she would ensure that all future defendants in her courtroom will be restrained in some manner in the future.

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If you have any questions regarding the materials provided, contact me at

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Sincerely,

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